

Immunization Registry Progress in Hawaii

Immunization Coverage in Hawaii:

According to National Immunization Survey (NIS) data for July 1998 to June 1999, the percentage of children 19-35 months of age who were up-to-date with 4 doses of diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, 3 doses of poliomyelitis, and 1 dose of measles, mumps, rubella vaccine was 80.1%.

Facts about the Hawaii Statewide Immunization Information System (HSIIS):

- HSIIS plans to collect and manage data for the entire state of Hawaii.
- The targeted age group for HSIIS will be all children from birth through age 18.
- HSIIS is not currently being utilized. Historical immunization data is being entered into the registry.

Some challenges and barriers affecting registry progress:

- Passing legislation to establish the legal status of the registry.
- Recruiting private providers to participate in the registry.
- Gaining support of the local AAP.
- Data entry backlog.
- Sustaining funding for registry activities.
- De-duplicating children's immunization records.
- Discussion on changing software to enhance user friendliness.

Current political or legislative factors affecting registry activity:

New registry legislation will be submitted for the year 2001.

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